

Town of North Hampton New Hampshire

North Hampton Dog Park Committee

Notice of Public Meeting

6:30 PM Thursday, June 7th, 2018

Mary B. Herbert Conference Room; 233 Atlantic Avenue

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Call to order

Pat McLean called to order the meeting of the Dog Park Committee at 6:39pm.

Attendees: Pat Mclean, Casey Dupuis, Paige Libbey, Amanda Jonovski, Michael Trotta, Anne Nettleton, Philip Thayer, John Dover

Not Present: Valerie Gamache, Willow Foley, Marlane Bernardo, Jalisa Bush, Ronni Martin, Colin Smith, Meredith Vallee

Approval of minutes from April 24, 2018

Minutes were reviewed. No changes were to be made.

Motion to approve the minutes; made by Amanda. Seconded by Michael. 1 abstained (due to not being in attendance at the prior meeting), otherwise unanimously accepted.

Outstanding items and New Business

1. Due to personal commitments, Willow and Marlane both reached out to Pat saying they would not be able to attend regular meetings. Pat proposed the idea and made a motion that the two will still remain on the committee, receive minutes, and if they have anything to say at a meeting they will send it to Pat ahead of time who will then share on their behalf. Casey seconded. Unanimously accepted.
2. 501C3 Sub-committee Update
 - 2.1 The members of the sub-committee that were in attendance shared the forms and steps they went through in order to apply for the 501C3.
 - 2.2 The group shared that Meredith personally covered the \$25 fee for paperwork to be mailed.
 - 2.3 The group discussed raising the additional \$275 filing fee within our network that must be sent in in order for the process to continue.
 - 2.4 The group determined that members who were willing to donate/cover a portion of this fee could reach out to Pat individually.
3. Paige recapped our ideas that were shared at the last meeting and our potential plans of adding a vehicle access path.
4. Philip discussed implications of the potential plot of land by the community gardens that we have been investigating.
 - 4.1 Philip shared that there may be added restrictions because the town Conservation Commission owns the land, instead of the town.
 - 4.2 Philip also shared that currently the Conservation Commission pays to have this area mowed

once per year, costing \$400/year.

- 4.3 Philip shared with the group where the Conservation Commission receives and how it maintains its funding.
- 4.4 Philip suggested (when the times come) reaching out to the Trustees of the Cemetery for potential gravel donations.
5. Pat briefly discussed the near future task we will face of having to create a potential budget
6. Paige, Pat and Philip all agreed to attend the Conservation Commission Meeting on Tuesday, June 12th 2018.
7. General discussion about the positive support we have received from people we have spoken to about the committee's goals thus far.
8. The group discussed the area off of Lovering Road and Post Road in North Hampton. No one knew who the point of contact would be for the property. Philip agreed to look into this further.
9. General discussion about public relations and how we should be advertising.
 - 9.1 The group determined the next step once the 501C3 approved we will be able to establish a GoFundMe online and we will blast the word on social media and brainstorm additional advertising vehicles once we get to this point.
 - 9.2 Amanda made a motion to establish a Social Media Sub-committee consisting of:
 - Amanda Jonovski – Chair
 - Paige Libbey – Co-chair
 - Jalisa Bush
 - Casey Dupuis
- Paige seconded this motion. Unanimously accepted.
- The members of the Social Media Sub-committee agreed to meet separately and report back their discussions/plans at the next full Dog Park Committee meeting.
- 9.3 Amanda discussed the benefits of advertising and social media awareness and how it truly reaches a wider audience.
- 9.4 Amanda shared the updated flyer with the group. Amanda will also share the flyer with the group electronically.
10. Casey reminded everyone to continue sharing the Facebook page and to ask friends and family to like it.

At 7:29pm John made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anne seconded this.

The committee unanimously agreed to adjourn.

The Next Meeting Will Take Place on July 12th @ 6:30pm and will be posted.